FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S.349

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Business Licenses for Towing Companies

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

This legislation amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, to provide that a towing company operating within the corporate limits of a municipality is not subject to a business license tax unless the towing company maintains a place of business within the corporate limits of the municipality.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

The Municipal Association surveyed municipalities to determine the impact of this Bill. This Bill's fiscal impact is estimated at \$2,000 each for medium-sized cities in South Carolina in lost licensing revenue.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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